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1. [REDACTED] CHILEAN MILITARY OFFICERS IN THE MIDDLE GRADES BETWEEN LIEUTENANT COLONEL AND COLONEL HAVE REACTED ANGRILY TO THE LANGUAGE OF SOME OF THE DRAFT RESOLUTIONS ON HUMAN RIGHTS INTRODUCED AT THE SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY MEETING OF THE ORGANIZATION OF AMERICAN STATES (OASGA). THE OFFICERS REGARD THEM AS UNJUSTIFIED AND INACCURATE ATTACKS ON CHILEAN HUMAN RIGHTS PRACTICES. THE RESOLUTIONS ARE CONSIDERED TO BE FURTHER

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EVIDENCE THAT THE CHILEAN EFFORT TO BE OPEN AND RECEPTIVE
TO FOREIGN GROUPS INTERESTED IN HUMAN RIGHTS IS DOOMED TO
FAILURE BECAUSE OF PREJUDGEMENT OF THE CHILEAN SITUATION.

2. SENIOR CHILEAN MILITARY OFFICERS, ACTING THROUGH
GENERAL HERMANO BUSTAMANTE, MINISTER SECRETARY OF
GOVERNMENT, HAVE ENDEAVORED TO EASE THE CONCERN OF MIDDLE-
GRADE OFFICERS ON THE SUBJECT OF HUMAN RIGHTS RESOLUTIONS
BY ASSURING THEM THAT THE FINAL RESOLUTION TO BE VOTED ON
BY THE OASGA WILL BE MUCH LESS ACCUSATIVE IN TONE. GENERAL
BUSTAMANTE ASKED KEY MIDDLE-GRADE OFFICERS TO LOBBY AMONG
THEIR CONTEMPORARIES, SUGGESTING THAT THEY WAIT UNTIL THE END
OF THE OASGA BEFORE REACHING CONCLUSIONS AS TO THE VALUE OF
HAVING INVITED THE OASGA TO MEET IN CHILE;

3. [REDACTED]

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